

BIG HATS IN THEATRES

Bill Introduced Making it a Misdemeanor With Fine.

TEMPERANCE PETITIONS

Several Important Measures Introduced in the Senate and in the House. Local Bills of Special Interest That Were Passed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RALPHIGH, N. C., February 3.—In the Senate to-day Mr. Baldwin, of Forsythe, introduced a bill making it a misdemeanor to wear hats that obstruct the vision of the driver, and providing a fine of \$25 for violation.

Other notable bills introduced were as follows:

By Mr. Baldwin: To regulate contracts of laborers and renters.
By Mr. McBride: To increase appropriation for Confederate soldiers to \$30,000.
By Mr. Cowdin: To amend the law regarding the rebuilding depots destroyed by fire.
By Mr. Woodard: To incorporate Wilson Savings and Trust Company.
By Mr. Spruill: To abrogate penalty for not listing notes for taxes.

Numerous temperance petitions were presented.

BILLS PASSED.
Important measures passed in the Senate were as follows:

Resolution for a joint subcommittee on Railroads and Railroad Commission to hear the complaints of the representatives of boards of trade as to freight rate discriminations.
To incorporate the Piedmont Industrial School.
Second reading bills were: To establish graded schools at Swan Quarter and Westfield.

IN THE HOUSE.

In the House a great number of temperance petitions were presented, one being by Mr. Morton, of New Hanover.

Important bills introduced were:

By Mr. Phillips: To amend the charter of Charlotte, Brunswick county.
By Mr. Brittain: For relief of Worth Manufacturing Company.
By Mr. Robinson: To incorporate the High Manufacturing Company, High Point.

By Mr. Luthen: To appropriate an additional \$20,000 to the State Institutions for Deaf, Dumb and Blind.

By Mr. Drewry: To incorporate the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association. To incorporate the Raleigh and Eastern Carolina Railroad Company.

Notable bills passed were:

To amend the act of 1897 incorporating the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.
To incorporate Bladenboro.

To incorporate the Bank of Whitewater. There were a great number of local bills passed.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Affairs of Durham Traction Company in Excellent Condition.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
DURHAM, N. C., Feb. 3.—The directors of the Durham Traction Company had their annual meeting yesterday in the office of President R. H. Wright. The affairs of the company were shown to be in excellent condition. All of the present incumbents were re-elected: R. H. Wright, president; J. S. Carr, vice-president; J. S. Carr, secretary and treasurer; W. W. S. Butler, general manager; E. L. Lindsey, auditor; Manning & Foushee, general counsel. It was ordered that a vaudeville concert hall be erected at Lakewood Park, the present western terminus of the line; six more summer cars were ordered; and various other improvements indicated.

Professor William Garrett Brown, of Harvard University, spoke in the Craven Memorial Hall, at Trinity College, last night to a good audience, on "Andrew Jackson and the New Democracy." He gave some time to a discussion of the Jackson, and the audience was entertained.

Dave Malone, a white mechanic, got delirious Saturday and left home. Search was instituted at once, but he was not found until yesterday evening, several miles south of the city, in thick timber. He fought to keep from being brought home, where he is now under guard.

The county commissioners have received a petition of citizens of Wake county who join on the east to have their precinct added to Durham by act of the Legislature, asking that the commissioners add them in the matter. It is doubtful if they do so, because, if there is annexation, Durham county will have to pay out a good deal more for building bridges than the revenue from that territory will amount to.

Thrift, a weekly paper published here by Captain J. B. Hunter, in Saturday's issue, had some caustic criticisms on the town government, and gave notice of more.

Miss Christine Tingle, of London, England, representing the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, is advertised for a lecture at Trinity Church tomorrow night. While here she will also speak in West Durham.

There is only one case of smallpox—the one sent to the pest-house last week—no apprehension is felt that it will spread.

BUCKNER WANTS THE SEAT

Claims His Election to Senate and Will Make Contest.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ASHFORD, N. C., Feb. 3.—News reaches here from Burlington that Buckner, the Republican nominee in the recent election for the Senate from the Thirty-sixth District, was on his way to Raleigh to claim the seat in the Legislature over Griffith, the Democratic nominee, who was declared elected and has already been seated.

The Republicans of this district are now claiming Buckner's election by a vote. They say that several precincts in Mitchell had not been officially heard from when Griffith was seated. This district is Republican by about 2,500 majority. The victory was won by strategy on the part of the Democrats, who kept their candidate in the background until the day of election, presumably conceding the seat to the Republicans.

A GOOD RECORD.
Good Work of Wilmington's Sturdy Fire Fighters.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 3.—The annual report of the Wilmington Fire Department for the year ending January 1st shows some remarkable figures and is creditable in every particular. The number of buildings whose fires occurred was 149,075; value of contents, \$381,025.

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Total value of property at risk, \$821,200. The insurance on buildings amounted to \$305,245; on contents, \$349,450. The total insurance on property on which claim of loss was paid was \$111,000. The loss on buildings during the year amounted to \$3,724.03; on contents, of same class, \$3,012.38. The total loss paid by insurance companies was \$21,522.62. The value of property risked by the department aggregates \$90,000.

The three steamboats (the Cape Fear, the Cape Fear and the Fayetteville) have affected a joint management, which goes into effect to-day. The companies in the combination are the Merchants' & Farmers' Steamboat Company, the Cape Fear and People's Transportation Company and the Fayetteville and Wilmington Steamboat Company. Colonel W. S. Cook will be the manager at Fayetteville and Mr. T. D. Love the manager at Wilmington. The steamers owned by the joint companies are City of Fayetteville, Highlander, A. P. Hurt, E. A. Hawes and Driver.

AFTER EIGHT YEARS

Negro Charged with Murder is Identified and Confesses.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WILMINGTON, N. C., February 3.—Yesterday officers brought from Whiteville a negro named Sam White, who was bound over to Federal Court for selling liquor without a license. While in the court-room ex-Deputy Sheriff Newton, of Scotland county, recognized White as Sam Watkins, who murdered a negro in Marlboro county, S. C., eight years ago. After being identified as the man wanted the negro confessed that he was the man. He killed a negro named Will Rogers on account of a falling out over a woman. He shot Rogers in cold blood and escaped. A reward of \$200 was offered for his arrest at the time. Mr. Newton will claim the reward. He has notified the sheriff of Marlboro county the identification of the negro. The United States authorities will release White, alias Watkins, as soon as requisition passes between the Governors of the two Carolinas.

A DEFECTIVE FLUE

Causes a Quick Fire on Wrightsville Sound, Near Wilmington.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 3.—Fire last night destroyed the residence of W. Harris Northrop, Jr., on Wrightsville Sound, eight miles from this city. Building and contents were a total loss. The property was valued at \$4,500, with \$100 insurance. Mr. Northrop was awakened at midnight by the flames roaring over his head. He got his wife and children out of the building only a few seconds before the entire roof fell in. All were forced from the house in their night clothes and barefooted. They were taken to the home of a neighbor. The fire was caused by a defective flue.

WILL WORK ONLY 8 HOURS

Craftsmen at Asheville, N. C., Will Insist on Nine Hours' Pay.

(By Associated Press.)
ASHEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 3.—The Asheville Trades Union has issued an ultimatum to the contractors of this city that, beginning May 3d next, all the craftsmen represented in the union shall work only eight hours per day, for which they shall receive nine-hours' pay. No reply has yet been made by employers of labor.

LOVE MUSIC?

If you love music you should go to the "opening" of the Elkie Studio, at No. 287 East Broad Street, on Wednesday, February 4th. Tillows' orchestra will furnish the music on this occasion, and you will undoubtedly enjoy the treat.

From 10 A. M. to 8 P. M. The Elkie Studio is furnished in rare taste and beauty, and will be a permanent institution of Richmond.

MUST PAY OWN PIPER

James Cowden Allowed No Counsel Fees.

HIS CONTEST MERE FARCE

Had No Grounds for Contesting Seat of Representative Carter Glass and His Claim for Counsel Fees Thrown Out.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Elections Committee No. 1, of the House, decided to-day not to allow James Cowden, who contested the seat of Representative Carter Glass, of the Sixth Virginia District, any expenses for contestants' fees. The decision of the committee was based upon the view that Cowden had no real right to contest and that, therefore, he had no claim to any expenses.

This is the finish of a very peculiar case. It will be remembered that on the first day of December a resolution was introduced in the House, protesting against the seating of Glass, he having been elected to fill out the unexpired term of Major Okey, who died last spring, on account of the having been elected under the new Constitution of Virginia, the idea being that the Constitution was invalid and, therefore, an election held under its laws was illegal. This resolution was referred to Elections Committee No. 1, and upon the second of December that committee decided that the question of the legality of the Virginia Constitution was too serious a one to be properly considered by this Congress, owing to the shortness of the remaining time, but should be brought up before the next Congress, to which ten representatives had been elected from Virginia, under the new Constitution. This action settled as far as this Congress was concerned, the public question involved, namely, the legality of the election.

NO COUNSEL FEES.
Ten days later Cowden filed notice of contest and his case was referred to Elections Committee No. 3. As soon as it was heard it was thrown out as having no merits whatever. Cowden received only a few hundred votes, and the committee decided that as the public question had been settled by the other committee the contestant had no right to any consideration on private grounds.

When Cowden filed his claim for fees that committee took the ground that the public question involved was the only one upon which Cowden could possibly have had any right to claim such allowance, and as that had been already decided before he gave notice of contest, he should have known that he had no right to contest upon a private right.

The whole basis of what was his having polled a few hundred votes in the election. Accordingly, his claim was disallowed.

There was really no contest in the case. Representative Jones, of Virginia, acted as the attorney of Mr. Glass when he appeared before the committee, which was only twice.

FROM GREENSBORO

Cases Before Judge Boyd in the United States Circuit Court.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
GREENSBORO, N. C., Feb. 3.—The insurance firm of Murray Brothers has been dissolved, Mr. R. W. Murray buying the interest of his brother, Mr. C. H. Murray, who left this morning for Wilson, to accept a position as superintendent of agents for the Prudential Insurance Company of America.

Mr. L. P. Kates, who has been manager of the Postal Telegraph office in Greensboro for about a year, has resigned and left this afternoon for his home at Bon Air, Va., to rest for a few weeks. From there he will go to Bennettsville, S. C., to engage in business. Mr. Kates is succeeded by Mr. A. Wilkinson, of Concord, who arrived and took charge to-day.

Messrs. J. S. Hunter, P. D. Gold, Jr., and R. D. Douglas went to Raleigh this morning to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Associated Boards of Trade of North Carolina, to be held to-day, for the purpose of taking some action looking to the securing of better freight rates for North Carolina towns.

The case of Isaac N. Ebbs, the lawyer of Hot Springs, N. C., came up before Judge Boyd in the United States District Court here, charged with forgery in making vouchers to the government while he was land claim agent in Louisiana and Mississippi.

The case of the Travelers' Insurance Company against the Commissioners of Henderson county was heard before Judge Boyd in the United States Circuit Court here yesterday and to-day, a number of speeches being made by counsel on both sides. The county is resisting payment of bonds issued in aid of the construction of the Asheville and Spartanburg Railroad, upon the ground of illegality in their issue. Judge Boyd will reserve his decision.

SUES POLICEMAN

Damages Wanted for Wounds Received While Racking the Officer.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINSBON-SALBIE, N. C., Feb. 3.—Thomas V. Crouse was arrested here to-day and placed under a \$1,000 bond for his appearance at the next term of Surry County Court. A year or more ago Mr. Crouse was a policeman at Pinebluff, and one day while attempting to arrest a man named John Wright, the latter resisted and began throwing rocks at the officer. For this Crouse was arrested himself, Mr. Crouse drew his pistol and began firing at Wright. Four balls took effect, and for a time it was feared that the wounded man was fatally injured. He finally recovered, however, and now he has instituted suit against the ex-policeman for damages in the amount of three thousand dollars.

WATTS BILL REPORTED

It Restricts the Manufacture and Sale of Liquor to Towns.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
TALBOTT, N. C., February 3.—The House Committee on Proprietary and Privileges decided to-night to report favorably the Watts bill, which restricts and regulates the whiskey traffic in the State, so as to confine its manufacture and sale to the towns. Amendments were adopted under which the manufacture of wines, brandy, etc., is allowed from fruits, etc., grown by the

distiller, but the sale of such is expressly forbidden. Provisions also made for elections in towns to decide between saloons, dispensaries and distilleries.

An amendment by Mr. Morfitt that the act apply to no county until a majority of the qualified voters ratify it was voted down. However, it is understood that a stubborn fight will be made for the inclusion of the amendment in the bill. It is stated by Mr. Watts, that his bill was drawn by Senator Blinn and Governor Aycock.

FREIGHT RATES

Representatives of Chambers of Commerce Assemble at Raleigh.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RALPHIGH, N. C., February 3.—Representatives of the various chambers of commerce in the State, notably Wilmington, Winston, Greensboro and Wilson, have been in session to-day, discussing best methods for securing effective legislation against freight rate discrimination by railroads. The session was executive and nothing is given out. Members of the Corporation Commission are in session with them.

The Senate Committee on Railroads and Railroad Commission decided to-night to report favorably what is known as the Durham bill, giving the Corporation Commission authority to compel railroads to join in union depots, where the commission deems them desirable. The vote was 10 to 0, the chairman and introducer, Mr. Justice, voting to report it favorably. It has passed the House, but will have hard sailing through the Senate.

Raise Tea in Texas.

(By Associated Press.)
CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 3.—What are considered suitable lands for tea farms have been secured on the Colorado river, Texas, by Professor Galloway, of the Department of Agriculture, under instruction of Secretary Wilson. The experiments will be in charge of John H. Kinsler, who has been an assistant of C. U. Shepard, of the Pinehurst Tea Farms at Summerville, this State. Kinsler left here for Texas yesterday.

Small-pox Patients Improving.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SHIRLEY, VA., February 3.—It is reported that the members of the family of Mr. J. S. Gatewood, who have been ill with smallpox, are convalescing, and that Mr. Gatewood himself is much improved.

IN MEMORY OF

MRS. W. B. WHITLOCK

Jefferson Grove, U. A. O. D., Sympathizes with an Esteemed Bereaved Member.

Jefferson Grove, No. 14, U. A. O. D., met last night in its new hall, Springfield, corner of Twenty-sixth and M streets. Since its organization Jefferson has met in Powel's hall, but recently decided to fit up a hall for its own exclusive use, Springfield Hall, from a Druidical view, is one of the best in the State.

To fittingly celebrate the occasion an interesting social feature was arranged, the subject being "The Power of the Groves." The subject was discussed by the members of the grove, and the resolutions were passed by the grove and ordered engrossed and sent to Captain W. B. Whitlock, an esteemed member of the death of his wife.

Refreshments and cigars were served during the social session and several speeches were made by visiting brothers. Brother Julius A. Spiegel rendered several instrumental selections.

SHOT SWEETHEART

THEN KILLED HIMSELF

The Man Died Within a Few Hours and the Woman Cannot Recover.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, February 3.—A man named R. Bidlich, a waiter, went to the residence of Serenade Belmont, president of the Illinois Cattle Feeding Company to-day and asked for the housekeeper, a woman named Garlin. When she came to the door Bidlich shot her, the bullet entering the breast.

Garlin, fired two more shots, both of which struck her in the back, and she fell. Bidlich then drank carbolic acid and fired two shots into his head. Bidlich's death has been a tragedy, and it is recently when they quarreled.

Both Bidlich and the housekeeper were taken to a hospital, where Bidlich died a few hours later. The woman was unconscious and it was said could not recover.

RULES OF THE WORLD.

Meat-Eating Nations are the Leaders in Every Branch of Human Achievement.

The ruling nations of the world are meat eaters, and history records that they always have been.

Vegetarians and food cranks may explain this in any way they choose, but the facts remain that the Americans, English, French, Russians and Germans are meat eating nations, and they are also the most energetic and most progressive.

The principal food of the heroic Boer soldier was mutton, and it was dried beef, affording a great deal of nourishment in a highly concentrated form.

The weak races of people are the rice eaters of China, the rice eaters of India, regarded since the dawn of history as non-progressive, superstitious and inferior physically and mentally to the meat eating nations who dominate them.

The structure of the teeth plainly indicates that human beings should eat a variety of food, meat, fruit and grains, and it is unhygienic to confine one's diet to any one of those classes to the exclusion of the others.

But is the most concentrated and most easily digested of foods, but our manner of living is often so unnatural that the digestive organs refuse to properly digest meat, and as a result indigestion and later on, chronic dyspepsia.

Nervous people should eat plenty of meat, convalescents should make meat the principal food. Hard working people have to do so and brain workers and office men should eat, not so much meat, but at least once a day and to insure its perfect digestion one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets should be taken after each meal, because they supply the pepsines, diastase and fruit acids lacking in every case of stomach trouble.

Nervous dyspepsia, outburst of stomach, gastric acid, indigestion, and all these are only different names for indigestion, the failure to digest wholesome food, and the use of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets cures them all, because by affording perfect action to the stomach and its contents to rest and recover its natural tone and vigor.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the real household medicine. It is as safe and as effective for the stomach as for the baby as it is for the imperfect digestion of its grand sire.

They are not a cathartic, but a digestive and restorative. They follow their use the only habit Stuart's Tablets induce is the habit of good digestion and consequently good health.

ROBBERS CAPTURED

No Trace of Loot Has Been Discovered.

TRACKED THROUGH SNOW

Burglars Robbed Bank of Cambridge Ill., of \$10,000—Four Found in Barn and Lodged in Jail.

(By Associated Press.)
CAMBRIDGE, ILL., Feb. 3.—The First National Bank here was robbed of about \$10,000 at 2 o'clock this morning by four men, and within a few hours the robbers were captured by citizens and marched to the county jail, where they are now held pending an examination.

No trace of the money has yet been discovered, but it is believed it will be found soon, as the robbers had practiced by no time for effective concealment of it.

While the robbers were working in the bank snow began falling. This increased in volume, and it was an easy matter for the posse to track the robbers, who were found buried beneath the snow and were taken to the jail.

The robbers stole a hand-car at Galva, fourteen miles east of here, and left it a few miles from Cambridge. It is believed they had intended to escape in it, but the snow storm prevented them from doing so.

DR. PARKHURST TO START NEWSPAPER

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst declared last night that he is meeting with the support of millions in his project of providing an ideal newspaper for the public, to be issued in New York city. How far he had gone with the details of the scheme he was every prospect for success.

"I have no idea of publishing a religious daily," said Dr. Parkhurst. "I believe in religion and religion in daily life, but the news of the day provides suggestions for practical use of religion. The people want news—clean, wholesome news, that will educate and elevate them, not degrade."

"My idea is to print facts without elaboration or embellishment, and to print them for just what they are worth, if they are printable. The point of sensationalism to which the news of the day is exploited in some newspapers is simply disgusting and degrading."

"The time will come when a reaction will set in, just as it will have the practice of using alarming headlines of great type for the illumination of meagre facts is unprofitable."

"Actually, I doubt if the reaction is not already shown. At all events, I think the time is at hand for the issue of a newspaper according to my ideal."

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STEEL TRUST HAS BIG ORDERS

Contracts Booked for Five Million Tons of Iron—Employees Subscribe to Stock

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, February 3.—A meeting of the directors of the United States Steel Corporation was held here to-day. At its close Judge Gary, chairman, gave out the following statement:

"The subsidiary companies of the United States Steel Corporation at the present time have orders on their books for over 5,000,000 tons, which are the largest unfulfilled bookings that they have ever had."

"The books for subscription to stock under the profit sharing plan closed on Saturday evening, January 31st, and the stock was subscribed as follows: 27,533 men subscribed for 51,235 shares. Class B, composed of men who receive salaries of \$800 to \$1,000 a year, subscribed for 2,013 shares; 14,200 men subscribed. Class F, which is composed of men who receive \$800 or less in wages, subscribed for 15,033 shares; 12,710 men subscribed."

"The Board of Directors voted to add to class P all the stock they subscribed for, and to class E, 10; class D, 80; class C, 70 per cent; class B, 60 per cent, and class A, 50 per cent, of the stock for which the subscription was subscribed."

"The board unanimously adopted resolutions deploring the th of the late Abram S. Hewitt."

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